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**BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
STATE OF UTAH**

IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST FOR AGENCY ACTION OF QEP ENERGY COMPANY FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE FLARING OF GAS IN EXCESS OF THE AMOUNTS ALLOWED UNDER UTAH ADMIN. CODE RULE R649-3-20(1.1) FROM A TOTAL OF SIX WELLS LOCATED WITHIN TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGES 17 AND 18 EAST, DUCHESNE AND Uintah COUNTIES, UTAH

**MOTION FOR TEMPORARY  
RELIEF**

Docket No. 2013-017

Cause No. 259-03

COMES NOW, QEP Energy Company ("QEP"), by and through its counsel, Holland & Hart, LLP, pursuant to Utah Admin. Code Rule R641-105-300, and hereby requests that the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining (the "Board") enter an order allowing the continued flaring of the RB DS 1G-7-10-18, RB DS 14G-8-10-18, RB DS 14G-6-10-18, and the RB DS 14G-7-10-18 Wells (the "Subject Wells") until QEP can formally present its request for agency action before the Board at its next regularly scheduled hearing on December 4, 2013.

The Board granted an Order in this matter on July 15, 2013 (the "Order") allowing the flaring of gas from the Subject Wells<sup>1</sup> in excess of the limits set in R649-3-20(1.1) until November 1, 2013, so that QEP could construct the necessary pipelines to transport the associated gas from the Subject Wells. Due to the recent United States government

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<sup>1</sup> The original Request for Agency Action and Order in this cause allowed flaring from six wells; however, a pipeline has been constructed to two of those wells, alleviating the need to flare the gas from those wells.

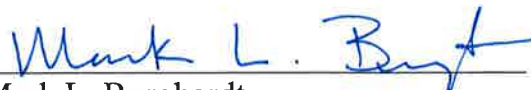
shutdown, QEP has been unable to timely obtain the necessary rights-of-way from the BLM to enable construction of the pipeline by the November 1, 2013 deadline. Therefore, to prevent potential damage to the Subject Wells that may result from them being partially shut-in, QEP must continue to flare the gas in excess of the amounts allowed by rule.

The Board has authority to grant this motion pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §§ 40-6-5(1) and (3)(f), and under the continuing jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter retained in the Order.

Therefore, QEP respectfully requests that the Board enter an order granting its Motion for Temporary Relief allowing the flaring of the Subject Wells in excess of the limits allowed by rule, at rates not to exceed 15,000 mcf per month, subject to the restrictions for maximum amount of gas flared as contained in the Order, until such time as the necessary pipelines are completed or until this matter can be presented to the Board at the regularly scheduled hearing on December 4, 2013, which occurs first.

Respectfully submitted this 30th day of October, 2013.

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**ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR  
TEMPORARY RELIEF**

Docket No. 2013-017

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The Board of Oil, Gas and Mining, having fully considered QEP Energy Company's ("QEP's"), Motion for Temporary Relief filed on October 30, 2013, hereby grants said Motion and authorizes QEP as operator of the following wells, located in Uintah and Duchesne Counties, Utah:

- 1) RB DS 1G-7-10-18 (Located in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 7, T10S, R18E, S.L.M., Nemo Unit)
- 2) RB DS 14G-8-10-18 (Located in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8, T10S, R18E, S.L.M., Nemo Unit)
- 3) RB DS 14G-6-10-18 (Located in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 6, T10S, R18E, S.L.M., Nemo Unit)
- 4) RB DS 14G-7-10-18 (Located in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 7, T10S, R18E, S.L.M., Nemo Unit)

to temporarily flare gas in excess of the amount allowed by rule, at rates not to exceed 15,000 mcf per month, until the necessary pipelines to transport the gas are completed or

until this matter can be presented to the Utah Board of Oil, Gas and Mining at the regularly scheduled hearing on December 4, 2013, which ever occurs first.

DATED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013

**STATE OF UTAH  
BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING**

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